(b) and (c) The National Telecom Policy permits adequate private participation in both manufacturing & service sub sectors of Telecommunications. No radical changes in policy are comtemplated.

Telephone exchanges in various cities of Uttar Pradesh

*386. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:
SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) when were the Ranikhet, Bhikiyasain, Almora, Ramnagar and Nainital Telephone exchanges set up;

(b) the total installed capacity thereof;

(c) the number of subscribers under the said exchanges as on date, exchange-wise;

(d) whether there is any waiting list of registrants under the above exchanges; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and by when they would be provided with telephone connections?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (e) The details are given in the Statement.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of Exchange	Date of Installation	Capacity of Exchanges	Total DELs provided from these Exchanges as on 31.05.98	Total Waiting list as on 31.5.98	Waiting List is to be cleared by
1.	Ranikhet (a NEAX 750 lines)	20.08.97				
	(b) C-DOT (256 lines)	15.05.96	1118	1074	188	31.3.99
	(c) C-DOT (256 lines)	31.3.98				
2.	Bhiktyasain C-DOT (256 lines)	31.3.98	176	114	Nil	
3.	(a) Almora (C-DOT 2.4K)	28.2.97	2400	2250	Nil	
	(b) Almora (ILT 2K)	30.8.92	1728	1250	Nil	
4.	(a) Ramnagar (C-DOT) (1400 Lines)	31.3.94	1400	1769	83	31.3.99
	(b) Ramnagar C-DOT 512	23.10.97	376			
5.	Nainital (C-DOT 3K)	6.2.96	3000	2936	811	31.3.99